

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re the Application of: )  
Richard L. Bertram ) Group Art Unit: 1772  
Serial No.: 09/097,221 ) Atty. Docket: 16337.1024  
Filing Date: June 12, 1998 )  
Title: INTEGRATED COMPOSITE ) Examiner: Sandra M. Nolan  
STRUCTURAL CONDUIT )  
FORMED IN PLACE )

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The Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C.  
U.S.A. 20231

**INFORMAL VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

This amendment has been prepared for informal discussion in the interview with Examiner Sandra M. Nolan on Monday April 8, 2002.

The Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows.